



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

April 16, 2004

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **16-Apr-04** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	86.00	84.50	80.50	85.50	84.18
Last week	96.00	95.50	90.50	95.50	94.41

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 16-Apr-04:

New York 83-87 **Chicago & Midwest** 82-90 **California** 119

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 12-Apr-04 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	91.4	258.4	124.4	176.6	184.0	834.8	258.0	1092.8
% change PW	-34	-28	-31	-26	-44	-33	5	-27

Breaking Stock 16-Apr-04 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States		Eastern Region	
Nest Run	59-63	M 59-61	58-63	M 60-62
Checks & Undergrades	48-54	M 48-50	47-53	M 48-51

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **10-Apr-04**.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,177,138	28,021	11,203	6,130	2,613	3,851
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,197,986	29,072	10,845	5,875	2,283	4,178
LAST YEAR	1,088,515	26,476	9,801	5,575	1,698	4,070
% CHANGE PW	-2	-4	3	4	14	-8
% CHANGE LY	8	6	14	10	54	-5
TO-DATE 2004	16,320,375	388,725	155,492	86,546	35,675	57,028
TO-DATE 2003	15,570,214	379,245	141,018	78,034	32,181	57,745
% CHANGE YTD	5	2	10	11	11	-1

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 41.80 **Previous Week:** 41.71 **Last Year:** 42.19

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.53 **Previous Week:** 38.22 **Last Year:** 38.45

National Liquid Eggs - 16-Apr-04 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	8	56-62	59.75	-2.75
WHITES	8	74-77	76.19	-.81
YOLKS	8	52-57	54.75	-3.45

No pasteurized whites reported, with pasteurized salt yolk reported from 56 to 62 cents

Frozen Egg Prices - 16-Apr-04 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

	Trucklot				Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
Class	Eastern			Central		Eastern	South California ²	
Whole	72-85	M	75-79	73-76	M 74	80-86	79-82	
Blends ³	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT			88-100	-	
Whites	89-93	M	89-91	89-92		94-99	94-97	
Yolks ⁴								
Sugared	66-73	M	67-71	67-70	M 70	74-87	74-77	
Salted	64-71	M	65-69	65-68	M 66-68	71-76	72-75	

² f.o.b. shipping point³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids⁴ minimum 43% solids**National Dried Egg Prices - 16-Apr-04** - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	2.87-3.19	3.00-3.05
YOLKS	1.60-2.00	1.60-1.65
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	6.80-7.35	7.00-7.25
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.95-2.35	1.95-2.05

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 10-Apr-2004

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,362	This week	200	This week	1,562
Last week	1,234	Last week	211	Last week	1,445
Last year	1,955	Last year	281	Last year	2,236
To Date 2004	17,870	To Date 2004	3,200	To Date 2004	21,070
To Date 2003	23,960	To Date 2003	4,334	To Date 2003	28,294

Inspected Egg Products**U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 03-Apr-04**

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	49	0	0	49
Last year /1	196	0	0	196
To date 2004	2,075	0	154	2,229
To date 2003	2,529	14	135	2,678

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 03-Apr-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	39	127	80	246
Last year /1	74	89	40	203
To date 2004	1,149	334	754	2,237
To date 2003	1,579	1,169	320	3,068

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 03-Apr-04**

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,530	860	2,010	5,334	1,870	11,604
Last year /1	0	780	90	2,970	0	570	4,410
To date 2004	50	4,230	11,913	11,880	24,768	4,824	57,665
To date 2003	76	1,770	5,743	15,222	1,470	2,982	27,263

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

SHELL EGGS BROKEN UP 7 PERCENT

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Shell eggs broken = 142 million dozen during February 2004, up 7% from February 2003.

February 2004 contained 29 days due to leap year consisting of 20 weekdays including 1 holiday, and four Saturdays, the same as February 2003.

Shell Eggs Broken: Federally Inspected, United States, February 2003-04

Month & Region	Eggs Broken	Edible Liquid Whole	Edible Liquid White	Edible Liquid Yolk	Edible Liquid Total	Inedible Liquid
February 2004: United States	(1,000 Dozen) 142,203	(1,000 Pounds) 109,623	(1,000 Pounds) 46,337	(1,000 Pounds) 26,145	(1,000 Pounds) 182,105	(1,000 Pounds) 16,090
February 2003: United States	132,501	106,553	39,995	22,225	168,773	16,320

Egg Products Inspected: Shell Eggs Broken and Products Produced, United States, January - February 2003-04

Period	Eggs Broken	Edible Liquid Whole	Edible Liquid White	Edible Liquid Yolk	Edible Liquid Total	Inedible Liquid
January 1, 2004- February 29 2004	(1,000 Dozen) 287,713	(1,000 Pounds) 224,505	(1,000 Pounds) 93,117	(1,000 Pounds) 51,548	(1,000 Pounds) 369,170	(1,000 Pounds) 32,907
January 1, 2003 - February 28 2003	286,185	224,550	88,516	48,542	361,608	34,704

Data presented in this report were compiled from inspection reports of the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). The best available data at time of publication was used. For information on "Egg Products" call Tom Kruchten at 202-6904870, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., ET.